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PATENT APPLICATION

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In Re U.S. Patent Application)

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For: FLYING HEAD SLIDER)

CAPABLE OF AVOIDING)

COLLISION WHEN LOADED)

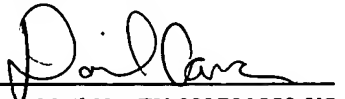
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION

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Dear Sir:

Prior to consideration and calculating the fees for the above-referenced

Divisional Application, please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please approve the drawing changes as shown in red in the attached marked-up copy of Figures 7B, 14, and 15. A separate Letter to the Draftsman indicating the same proposed drawing changes is enclosed.